



The Hummer

The Newsletter of the Hummingbird Stitches Quilt Guild

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January 2009

Guild meetings are held at the Sierra Vista Community United Church of Christ unless otherwise noted.

January Dates to Remember

1/5	7:00pm	Quarterly Business Meeting/ BLOTTO Due/Election of Officers (see page 2)
1/7	9:30am	Program Meeting - Nancy Bergman /BLOTTO Due
1/14	9:30am	BOM
1/19	<u>Quilt Show Entry Deadline</u>	
1/21	9:30am	Charity Sew
1/24	9:30am	UFO Workshop
1/28	9:30am	Quilting Bee

January Program Meeting

Wednesday, 7 January: HSQG member, Nancy Bergman, will present the program "My Search for Something Different." It is about her journey from a traditional quilter to fabric artist. The program will include a slide show presentation and some quilts to show. Many of her quilts are in Canada. Besides teaching in Sierra Vista, Nancy has taught at the Minnesota Quilt Conference, and in most areas of Canada, including Newfoundland and the Arctic.

A Message From Our President

Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas, Happy New Year—all happy, safe, and probably over by the time you read this newsletter. Why not sit down, get a beverage to drink, put your feet up and enjoy a quiet time reading the newsletter.

January is a time for change and reflection.



I hope you've taken some quiet time to reflect on all the good you've accomplished in 2008 and ways to improve that which wasn't as positive as it could have been.

January will be a busy time for the Guild. We will elect new officers on January 5 at our evening meeting.

Sharon Clarke is the new Block of the Month chairperson with a new series beginning this month. Irene Violette and Sue Lee are working together on the quarterly Blotto blocks. Linda Erickson and Susan Ritter are heading up the Charity Committee for 2009 after completing an ambitious 2008.

Your raffle tickets need to be sold and the monies turned in to Doreen Dolan. The quilt is hanging in the Squirrel's Nest for all to see. Patterns are available for only \$15. Please see me if you'd like a set to make your own version

It's time to finish the quits you will be entering into the show in February. The entry form and picture need to be turned into Wendy Seals by January 19th. The quilt does not need to be finished by that time. I hope EVERYONE will enter a quilt this year whether you are a new quilter or a veteran with many years of experience. All the quilts will be wonderful to see.

We're off an running (again).

Sew happily,
Penny



Our Condolences

- ▣ HSQG member, Joyce Henning Wilcox, passed away on December 1. Our sincere condolences to her daughters Sue Ritter and Janet Wilcox who are both Guild members.
- ▣ Our sincere condolences to Margaret Dalmer on the death of her son.
- ▣ Also, condolences to good friends of HSQG Bev and Wally Waldenstrom on the death of their son.



Quilts Galore! Quilt Show Update

Now that the holidays have come and gone, I hope you're all getting ready for the show! I can't believe how quickly it will be here. I hope you have your entry form ready - I'd love to have everyone in the guild enter a quilt (or two). I have the quilt show bookmarks available and would like all members to start passing them out.

Wendy Seals

Slate of Officers for 2009

Please attend the January Quarterly Business meeting. We will be electing officers for the 1 April 2009 - 31 March 2010 period.

The slate of officers is as follows:

President:	Penny Lupo
1st Vice President:	Jan Bowie
	(Advertising)
2nd Vice President:	Marilyn
	(Programs) Creathbaum
Secretary:	Jill Holsonback
Treasurer:	Wendy Seals

Nominations will be accepted from the floor only if the nominee is in agreement.

Marilyn Creathbaum

HSQG Calendar

2/2	Program Meeting
2/4	Program Meeting
2/11	BOM
2/18	Charity Sew/Judged Quilts brought to SVCUCC fellowship hall 9am-11am
2/19	Judged quilts brought to SVCUCC fellowship hall 8am-9am
2/20	Quilts not to be judged brought to Buena High School 4pm-5pm
2/21-22	HSQG Quilt Show - Quilts Galore!
2/22	All quilts picked up at Buena High School 3:30pm-4:30pm
2/25	Quilting Bee
3/2	Program Meeting
3/4	Program Meeting
3/11	BOM
3/18	Charity Sew
3/21	Workshop - Helen Frost & Catherine Skow Radiant Sunshine and Shadow
3/25	Quilting Bee
4/1	Quarterly Bus Meeting/BLOTTO Due
4/6	Program Meeting/BLOTTO Due
4/8	BOM
4/10-12	HSQG Retreat - Huachuca Oaks Baptist Camp
4/15	Charity Sew
4/22	Quilting Bee
4/29	Quilting Bee
5/4	Program Meeting
5/6	Program Meeting
5/13	BOM
5/16	Workshop - Guild Instructor
5/20	Charity Sew
5/27	Quilting Bee
6/1/08	Program Meeting
6/3	Program Meeting
6/10	BOM
6/17	Charity Sew
6/24	Quilting Bee
7/1	Program Meeting/BLOTTO Due
7/6	Quarterly Bus Meeting/BLOTTO Due
10/23-25	HSQG Retreat - Huachuca Oaks Baptist Camp
11/2	Challenge Quilt Voting
11/4	Challenge Quilt Voting



2009 Block of the Month (BOM)

My name is Sharon Clarke. You can recognize me at the meetings by the embroidered panels on my walker (also known as my wheeled purse). I have been a member of the Hummingbird Stickers since 1998. Irene Violette has asked me to take over the BOM for the year 2009. If you want, I can show the bruises where she twisted my arm! Ha! Ha!

This year we will be doing pieced houses. Some will be simple and some will be a challenge. There will be rotary cutting, paper piecing and even the dreaded "T" word, TEMPLATES. I hope all will attempt these houses and make them their own. Embroidery and any other embellishments are encouraged! The colors used in the samples are only my choice. Use your colors and fabrics from your stash. By the end of the year you will have a quilt that has your "signature." See you at the January meeting!

Sharon Clarke



Dates for Your Information

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| 1/15-18 | Road to California
Ontario, CA (www.road2ca.com) |
| 1/16-18 | Quilt Fiesta!
Tucson, AZ (tucsonquiltersquilt.com) |
| 1/23-24 | 2009 Desert Lily Kaleidoscope
Yuma, AZ |
| 1/29-31 | Quilt, Craft & Sew—Phoenix, AZ
(quiltcraftsew.com) |
| 2/1-2/28 | Tombston, AZ Quilt Show |
| 4/13-18 | Machine Quilters Exposition
Manchester, NH |
| 4/17-19 | Intl Quilt Festival, Chicago, IL
(www.quilts.com) |
| 4/18-25 | The Great Fabric Round-Up
Shop Hop (Southern AZ) |
| 4/22-25 | AQS Paducah, KY
(americanquilter.com) |



Quilt Raffle Tickets

As you know, the selling of raffle tickets is a fundraising event for the Guild. There are still many of you who have not taken tickets to sell. I will be at the night meeting and the day meetings in January. Please see me to get your tickets.

As I stated before, if you do not want to sell the tickets, you can buy them yourselves. A big thank you to those of you who have taken tickets, it is very much appreciated. Remember there will be prizes to the top two sellers.

Doreen Dolan

Membership Information

We ended calendar year 2008 with 157 members. 2009 membership fees are not due until April 1, 2009.



Workshops - Come Join Us

January 24th

Time: 9:00am - 3:30pm
 Place: Our Lady of the Mountains Church
 Fee: \$5 plus bring a dish to share
 Description: UFO Workshop

March 21

The March Workshop is going to feature Helen Frost and Catherine Skow who have written the book RADIANT SUNSHINE AND SHADOW. This book was featured at the Houston International Quilt Show and they taught the same class in Houston that they will be teaching our guild.

Nine-patch blocks add sparkle to the traditional Sunshine & Shadow quilt design and create an intricate looking quilt that is easy to make. You will explore color and value as you make this quilt which will create the radiant design in the quilt. In addition, you will learn precision cutting, pressing, and sewing techniques to make the perfect little 2-1/4" blocks.

These women come highly recommended not only from the Tucson Quilt Guild but other quilt stores in Tucson where they have taught classes.

I will start signing up people for this class in February. I will also have samples to show everyone at the February meetings. I think this will be a fun class, and we will experience teachers that we have not had at our workshops before.

If you have any questions about these workshops, please contact me.

Lynne Bie

Found Jacket

Did you leave a jacket at the holiday party? If so, please contact Peggy Kenny.

Charity 2008 Year-End Report

Quilts donated to:	
WIC/NICP	34
Cochise Co. Children's Crisis Ctr.	25
AZ Cancer Center	7
Habitat for Humanity (queen)	2
SV Hospital Fetal Demise	10
Police Dept.	10
CASA (Children)	18
Military Hospitals in Germany	<u>72</u>
Total quilts donated in 2008	178
Current Inventory	<u>58</u>

Total quilts made in 2008 236

Congratulations to all those who contributed to this great effort!

All these organizations will need more quilts in the coming months. Sadly, there is always a need for the comfort and warmth a personal quilt can give. And we know from the people who receive them how much the quilts are appreciated. Please consider donating your time and effort to help.

You can work on any part of a quilt, from the cutting to piecing to quilting or tying the finished top. Evening Guild members can also participate as we have kits and packets available for you to take home. Many quilters are coming a little early on Wednesdays, staying a little later, or find time to spare at home.

Remember to bring your **own cutting tools and sewing machines** when you come to a work session.

See you there,
 Susan Ritter
 Linda Erickson
 Charity Committee Co-Chairs

**Have you sold your packet of raffle
 quilt tickets?**

2009 Quilt Challenge “The Initial Yard”

Challenge Rules

- ▣ Use the initials of your first and last names as the initials of the quilt title.
- ▣ The quilt should reflect some aspect of your personality.
- ▣ For example CL could be Chocolate Lover, HG could be Happy Gal, or ST could be School Teacher.
- ▣ The quilt must be square--1 yard (36 inches) wide and 1 yard (36 inches) long.
- ▣ The quilt must have encased edges, 3 layers and be quilted.

General Rules

1. You must be a member of HSQG to participate.
 2. Participants must sign up by the end of February. No late sign ups will be accepted. If you do not sign up at the program meetings and wish to sign up please notify Jill Holsonback by phone or email.
 3. All quilts must be completed—no quilt tops.
 4. Quilts can be made of any fabric and made with any technique.
 5. All quilts must have a label.
 6. There will be one Viewers Choice Award with each guild member getting one vote.
 7. All participants who complete the challenge will be entered into a random drawing for challenge baskets/prizes.
 8. There will be other prizes awarded during the challenge for participation. Check your newsletter for details.
 9. Quilts are due at the November 2 program meeting and must be shown at both the November 2 and November 4 meetings. Quilts not at both meetings cannot be considered for the Viewers Choice Award or a prize.
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Thanks to everyone who worked to organize our holiday parties - a fun time was had by all.

Mountain Mist Aids Charity Efforts

Do you have any “Mountain Mist” batting or “Super Fluff” products?? If so, we need the UPC codes from your packages. The Mountain Mist batting company will provide a free roll of batting (\$15 shipping charge) to any charity quilting group in exchange for 100 UPC codes from any Mountain Mist and/or Super Fluff product.

Please give your UPC codes to Susan Ritter or Linda Erickson and they will save them until we have enough for a roll of batting. We always need batting!

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A Strip Club is starting February 7th. Contact the shop for information.

Charity Focus 2009

Major Commitments

- ▣ WIC (Women, Infants & Children) - Given as incentives to mothers who complete government-sponsored breast feeding program.
-Crib/Layette 36”x42” up to 42”x54”
- ▣ NICP (Newborn Intensive Care Program) - Given to families with infants in intensive care for more than 72 hours.
-Crib 33”x33” up to 42”x42”
- ▣ Cochise County Children’s Center - The Center serves children, ages newborn through age 17, in crisis situations, providing safety and shelter for up to 30 days.
-Crib 36”x42” up to 42”x54”
-Lap 42” x 60”
- ▣ Habitat for Humanity - A queen-sized quilt is furnished to each house completed in the Sierra Vista area.
- ▣ Wounded Warriors Program—40” square quilts to be sent to Landstuhl Medical Center in Germany.

Other Organizations With Limited Yearly Needs

- ▣ Arizona Cancer Center - Occasional donations for chemo special-needs patients
- ▣ CASA Program - To promote and support community-based volunteers who provide quality advocacy for abused and neglected children in the juvenile court system. The quilts are given to children for birthdays, when they leave the system, etc. Sizes will be defined but for the time being keep in the small to mid-range.
- ▣ Sierra Vista Regional Health Center, Nursery - They have a need for approximately 25 small quilts for their fetal demise program. The quilt is ultimately given to the parents as a remembrance.

Hummingbird Stitchers Quilt Show Entry Form for 2009

Entry Deadline January 19, 2009

Your Name _____ Phone: _____

Email Address _____

Name of Quilt: _____

Size: Width (as hung) _____ inches Length (as hung) _____ inches

Categories (Circle the number that applies to your entry)

<u>Small (up to 167" perimeter)</u>	<u>Medium (168"–279" perimeter)</u>	<u>Large (280"+ perimeter)</u>
1. Appliquéd	4. Appliquéd	7. Appliquéd
2. Pieced	5. Pieced	8. Pieced
3. Mixed Techniques	6. Mixed Techniques	9. Mixed Techniques

I would like to have my quilt judged: Yes _____ No _____

Who quilted this entry? _____

How was this entry quilted? (Mark the category that applies to your entry)

_____ Professionally machine quilted by someone who provides this service for hire

_____ Professionally hand quilted by someone who provides this service for hire

_____ Machine quilted by someone who is not a professional

_____ Hand quilted by someone who is not a professional

Should your quilt be hung with a specific group? Please name the group. _____

(Example: the Bag Challenge, Round Robin, Block of the Month, etc.)

This quilt is for sale \$ _____. This quilt is not for sale. _____

Please attach a photo of your quilt, either 3"x 5" or 4"x 6".

Please attach a hang tag statement of 75 words or less.

I understand that the HSQG will take every precaution to protect my entry during hanging, display and retrieval, but that the HSQG will not be held responsible for events beyond its control. Insurance against loss or damage is my choice and responsibility. HSQG has my permission to photograph this quilt and use the photos to promote the Guild, including website display and the sale of quilt show CDs.

Signature _____ Date _____

Entry Rules for HSQG Quilt Show, 2009

1. Deadline for submission of entry forms and photograph is **January 19, 2009**.
2. You must be a paid member of the HSQG to enter a quilt.
3. Categories 1-9 will be the only judged categories. You don't have to have your quilt judged if you don't want to. All quilts are eligible for the Viewer's Choice award.
4. You may enter only one quilt per category to be judged. This spreads the ribbons around a little more. You can't enter a quilt to be judged that was judged for our show last year.
5. The photo of your entry must be 3x5 or 4x6 printed on plain or photo paper. Write your name, the quilt name, and the measurements of the quilt on the back of the photo and staple to your entry form. A photo of the quilt top only is fine if you haven't quite got it finished yet. The photo helps the Hanging Committee decide where to hang your quilt.
6. All entries must be clean and free of smoke, odor and pet hair.
7. All quilts must have a hanging sleeve. A 4" sleeve is best for large quilts; a 2" sleeve is okay for small quilts.
8. Quilts must have a label with the name of the maker and the quilt name. The label must be sewn on so it doesn't accidentally get separated from the quilt.
9. Quilts to be judged will be brought to the SVCUCC fellowship hall on Wednesday, February 18, 2009 between 9am and 11am, or on Thursday, February 19, 2009 between 8am and 9am. Wednesday is best because there is less rush.
10. Quilts that are not to be judged will be brought to Buena High School on Friday, February 20, 2009 between 4pm and 5pm.
11. All quilts will be picked up at Buena High School on Sunday, February 22, 2009 between 3:30 pm and 4:30 pm.
12. The Hanging Committee may combine size categories for fewer than 5 entries.
13. You can mail your entry form to Wendy Seals at P.O. Box 1326, Sierra Vista AZ 85636 or you can give the form to her at any of the regular meetings or bees.

Special Thank You

A special thank you to JoAnn Van Oosten (and the Girl Scout helpers) for all the work done on charity quilts the last quarter of 2008.



Quilt Show Demonstrators Needed

No, we're not going to protest anything at the quilt show, but the February show is rapidly approaching and we need more volunteers to do an hour-long demo at the show. This is our annual opportunity to provide a little educational outreach to the Sierra Vista community.

The subject of your demo may be anything related to quilting. This is a good opportunity to show community members or your fellow quilters a technique or style of quilting that you enjoy. Think of this as a grown up "show and tell."

There are five time slots still available on Saturday, February 21st and one on Sunday, February 22nd. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Linda Erickson.



If anyone has a use for empty thread spools, please contact Shirley Gray.

January Birthdays

- 1/1 Evie Van de Bogart
- 1/3 Annelle Fletcher
- 1/3 Celia Jenkins
- 1/6 Shirley Auchincloss
- 1/6 Marjorie Burns
- 1/6 Mary Kay Holcomb
- 1/6 Mickey Wilson
- 1/17 Jean Kroger
- 1/19 Bettie Colson
- 1/20 Caroline Frank
- 1/26 Debra Kawakami
- 1/27 Dot Rhodes
- 1/28 Kay Keene

HSQG Contacts

Please feel free to submit articles, suggestions, patterns, or want-ads to buy or sell anything quilt related. We do not promise publication of all submitted items. We will, however, endeavor to publish all items that are applicable to the Guild's Charter within a reasonable time frame. All items must be written in an e-mail or on paper. The editor cannot take responsibility for verbal requests. Request deadline is the second Wednesday of the month. Please send all contributions to the Newsletter Editor.

We do not publish phone numbers for our members in respect for their privacy. If you need to contact someone by phone, please refer to your current Guild roster.

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